

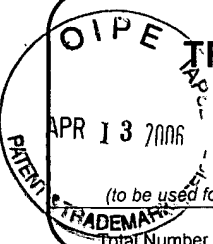
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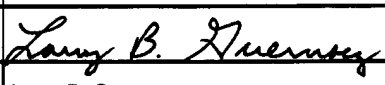
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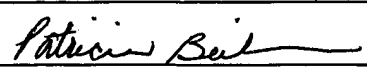
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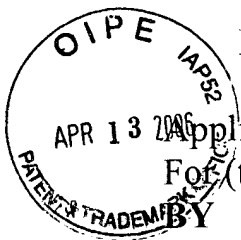
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Examiner Elve:

In response to the Office Action dated 03/27/2006, Applicant submits the following remarks and amendments, currently due on a statutory period for response expiring on 04/27/2006. It is believed that no extension of time is necessary.

The Examiner has stated, on the Office Action Summary that claims 1-37 are pending, and claims 1-37 are subject to restriction.

This response is organized as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are reflected in the paragraph on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.